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## P.O. Box 2914 Mesquite, NV 89024

January 14, 2008

Mr. Rod A. Moore Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Air Pollution Control 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701-5249

Subject: Stop Toquop

Dear Mr. Moore:

On January 12, 2008 our membership voted unanimously to help stop Toquop.

At this time, there appears to be considerable confusion within our community as to the exact impact of a coal-fired power plant. Our fragile environment, precious resources and healthy living are at stake. Therefore, we request that this project stop until many questions are answered.

- 1. Are there new Federal requirements that will result in this coal-fired power plant having fewer chemical emissions and polluters (lead, mercury and other harmful particulate matter)?
- 2. What are the environmental controls for the State of Nevada? Are they strictly enforced?
- 3. How will the coal-fired power plant affect our fish and wildlife resources?
- 4. How much water will the coal-fired power plant use? Once used, is that water not usable?

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- 5. Where will the water come from?
- 6. Are there alternatives for a more environmentally friendly source of power?
- 7. What happened to the gas-fired power plant, which we understand was the original plan in 2003?
- 8. Who is going to benefit from the energy produced?
- 9. Is there any value for Nevada or the city of Mesquite?

One of the goals of The League of Women Voters of Mesquite is to increase understanding of major issues that affect our citizens. Please help us accomplish that by answering as many of these questions as you can. Our citizens need the facts.

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Karen Beardsley

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Senator Harry Reid

Senator John Ensign

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